[Mr. Antony George.]

(*a*) whether the claims of any senior clerks in the Registration Department have been overlooked by the Director of Registration in the matter of confirmation and promotion ; and

(*b*) if there have been any, why it was done so ?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*) : (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Seniority alone does not entitle one to promotion. Passing of the departmental test, efficiency and character are also important factors.

Execution of urgent works by P. W. Division officers.

•275. ✻**MR. K R. ELENKATH** (*Kalkulam I*): Will the Government be pleased to state whether the Division Officers of the P. W. D. are empowered to sanction at least small amounts for executing urgen works such as closing up of breaches in banks between fields and running streams or tanks?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer*) ; Yes, if the work comes within the powers delegated to the Division Officers.

MR K. R. ELENKATH (*Kalkulam I*) : May I know from the member the smallest amount which he could sanction without the permission of the Chief Engineer for the purpose ?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer*) : There is a G. O. dealing with it and I shall be pleased to show it to the member.

Boat Basin for the Alleppey Port.

276. ✻**MR. M. N. NAIR** (*Kottayam I*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether they are aware of the difficulties that are being undergone by the boat-owners at present to keep their boats safe during rough weather for want of a boat-basin at the Alleppey Port ;

(*b*) whether they are aware that, during monsoon times, boats are taken nearly ten miles away from the port for safe keeping and that, at times it takes even more than one day for the boatmen to bring in their boats to the port for unloading goods from the steamers that touch the port during the period ;

(*c*) whether the Government have received representations from the merchants and boat-owners for the provision of a boat-basin at the port ; and

(*d*) what action they have taken in the matter ?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Ag. Secretary to Government*) : (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) No.

(*c*) Yes.

(*d*) The matter is receiving attention as part of the Scheme for the improvement of the Port.

Shipping at the Alleppey Port.

277. ✻**MR. M. N. NAIR** (*Kottayam I*) : Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table a statement showing the number of steamers

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that touched the Alleppey Port in the years 1930 to 1932 and till the end of September 1933 with their respective tonnage and the total income derived in each of the above-mentioned years as shipping and port dues ?

MR. C. O. MADHAVAN (*Excise Commissioner*): The *statement containing the information is placed on the table.

Appointment of under-graduate clerks of the Police Department as Inspectors.

278. *MR. M. N. NAIR (*Kottayam I*): Will the Government be pleased to furnish, under the following heads, particulars of under-graduate clerks of the Police Department who have acted as Inspectors of Police :—

(1) name of candidate,
(2) date of entrance in the department,
(3) nature of first appointment held in the department,
(4) general educational qualifications and departmental test, if any,
(5) date of first appointment as Acting Inspector of Police,
(6) total period so acted,
(7) present pay,
(8) uumber of rewards, if any,
(9) reversion, if any,
(10) reasons for the reversion, and
(11) remarks of the District Superintendent of Police about the capacity of each candidate to hold the Inspector's post ?

RAO BAHADUR N. RAMANUJA AIYANGAR (*Commissioner of Police*): 1 to 9. A †statement furnishing the information is laid on the table.

10 & 11. These are confidential and cannot be disclosed.

Under-graduate clerks who have acted as Inspectors of Police.

279. *MR. P. K. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Ambalapuzha I*): Will the Government be pleased to give a list of undergradate clerks who have acted as Police Inspectors with the following particulars, *viz.*,

(i) names of the clerks ;
(ii) date of admission to service ;
(iii) nature of first appointment ;
(iv) general educational and departmental qualifications ;
(v) date of first appointment as Acting Inspector ;
(vi) total period of acting service ;
(vii) present pay ;
(viii) number of rewards and reversions, if any, and the reasons for the same ; and
(ix) remarks ,if any, of the D. S. P. as regards the capacity to act ?

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Appendix V.

***Vide* Question No. 277.**

Statement of steamers that touched the Alleppey Port in the years 1930 to 1932 and till the end of September 1933 with their respective tonnage and the total income derived in each of the above-mentioned years as Shipping and port dues.

Years.	No. of steamers.	Tonnage.	Port dues.			Landing and shipping dues.		
			Rs.	ch.	c.	Rs.	ch.	
1930	445	10,350,62	32,937	7	2	27,687	9	12
1931	437	10,13,634	34,338	3	12	27,251	26	9
1932	427	10,17,331	34,025	25	14	26,378	20	5
End of September 1933	307	7,51,722	24,673	21	13	20,242	21	1